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### Minister Mary L. Reid

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### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Pete Hughes    Ronnie Hughes  
L. J. Hughes

### *Active Pallbearers*

Aaron Turner    Tony Brown  
Dave Turner    Sam Turner  
Eddie Turner    Robert Turner

### *Acknowledgements*

The family would like to thank everyone for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless each of you!

*The Family*

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Minister Larry and Mrs. Brenda W. Gould, Owners/Operators

## *Home Going Service* *for*



## *Minister Mary L. Reid*

Thursday, April 19, 2007  
1:00 P. M.

## **Holy Zion Church**

Railroad Avenue  
Twin City, GA

Bishop Cecil Newton, Presiding  
Pastor Mattie Owens, Eulogist

*I'm free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard him call;  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.*

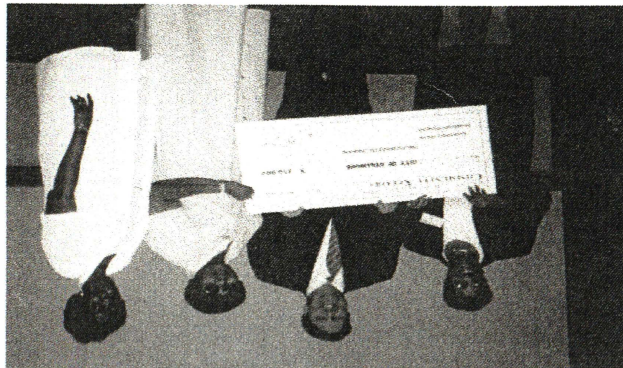
*Taako left and one must stay that way;  
I found that place at the close of day.*

*If my parting had left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared a laugh, a kiss;  
Ah yes, these things, I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I answered much;  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seems all too brief;  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me near, He set me free.*





*We Remember.....*

To everything there is a season and a time for  
every purpose under the Heaven. Ecclesiastes 3:1  
Jeremy & Jonia Reid

~

*I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right and that thou in  
faithfulness hast afflicted me. Psalms 119:75*  
Your loving, Son  
Johnny, Jr.

~

Mama was a kind, loving person. She never got mad but some-  
times you could see it in her facial expressions. Most of all she  
was a great mother and grandmother to her children.  
Rest In Peace  
I miss you,  
Your Grandson, Kyle

~

*Much of my strength comes from the knowledge and respect you  
have poured into my life, you taught me to face the real world, remembering to put  
Jesus first in everything I do. Your services to life was a great example and  
I am so proud that you are my mother.*  
Katrina Gordon

## *Tributes*

*Mama,*

*Because of your love, your  
kindness and Godly ways, we are who  
we are today. May your love and  
motherly ways be with us for the rest  
of our lives. You are the queen of our  
hearts and a virtuous woman, who  
was known by many. Who wouldn't  
have wanted to walk in your shoes?  
We are proud to say that you are our  
mama and that we will remember you in a very happy  
way. Your love, legacy will live on in our hearts and soul  
forever.*



With love,  
Your Children



## Obituary

*John 14:1-4 " Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: I fit were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know."*

Mary Lois Reid departed this life on Sunday, April 15, 2007 following a brief illness. She was born August 18, 1947 in Emanuel County to the late Mr. Cecil Johnson and the late Ms. Maggie Taylor. She attended Booker T. Washington High School in Miami, FL. On July 27, 1972, she was united in holy matrimony to Mr. Johnny Reid, and they were blessed with seven children. One son, Mr. Thomas Byrd preceded her in death.

Over thirty(30) years ago, she dedicated her life to Christ, began to live for the cause of Christ, and has been an ordained minister for twenty-five(25) plus years. For four(4) years, Minister Reid served as Mayor Pro Tem of the city of Stillmore and on the city council for three (3) years. She was a faithful member of Holy Zion Holiness Church, Twin City, GA until being called to her heavenly home.

She leaves to cherish precious memories, celebrate her life, and mourn her passing: Her husband, Mr. Johnny Reid of Stillmore, GA; her stepmother, Mrs. Margaret Woods of Stillmore, GA; one son, Mr. Johnny (Vanisha) Reid, Jr. of Twin City, GA; six daughters, Mrs. Stephanie (Emmit) Byrd and Mrs. Shirley (Larry) Hobbs of Metter, GA; Mrs. Katrina (Derrick) Gordon of Jacksonville, FL; Ms. Charity Reid, Ms. Mary Reid, and Ms. Kimberly Reid of Stillmore, GA; sixteen grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and a host of uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

### *The Broken Chain*

*We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name.*

*In life, we loved you dearly; in death, we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you; you did not go alone.*

*For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.*

*You left us peaceful memories; your love is still our guide,*

*And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same,*

*But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.*

## Order of Service

*Presiding.....Bishop Cecil Newton*

Processional/Viewing

Hymn.....Congregation

Prayer of Consolation.....Evangelist Elease Gray

Scripture.....Minister Wallace Turner

Solo.....Mrs. Barbara Dixon

Reflections

As A Sister-in-Christ.....Sis. Debbie Pierce

As A Friend.....Sis. Sarah Waters

Solo.....Pastor Roandle Day

Acknowledgements.....Whitaker Funeral Home Staff

Solo.....Ms. Shaunta Ellis

Eulogy.....Pastor Mattie Owens

Recessional



*Interment ~ Stillmore Cemetery  
Stillmore, GA*